

Troopers Attempting to Locate Suspect Wanted for Assault and Criminal Charges - Wilmington

Wilmington- Delaware State Police are seeking the public's assistance in attempting to locate 31-year-old **Dereck Wells** who is wanted for felony assault and related charges.

The incident occurred on April 9, 2021, at approximately 4:24 p.m., when troopers responded to Major Motors located at 2205 Mitch Road, Wilmington, for an assault. Investigation determined Wells and an acquaintance who had just purchased a vehicle from the business, returned after a check engine light came on. A 33-year-old male employee was diagnosing the problem when Wells became aggravated and began to strike the victim in the head several times with a handgun. Wells fled the business in the vehicle and has not been located since.

The victim who sustained lacerations to the head was transported to an area hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

Troopers have been unable to locate Wells who currently has an active warrant out of Troop 6 for the following:

- Assault 2nd Degree (Felony)
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Possession of a Firearm by Person Prohibited (Felony)
- Aggravated Menacing (Felony)
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon (Felony)
- Theft Under \$1,500

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Dereck

Wells is asked to contact Troop 6, at 302-633-5000 or by calling 911. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

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